Petersburg Managing Attorney

Central Virginia Legal Aid Society (CVLAS) seeks a Managing Attorney for its Petersburg office. The Managing Attorney will supervise and mentor the attorney staff’s advocacy and community education work while handling a caseload focused broadly on maintaining housing stability. A significant component of the Managing Attorney’s legal work will include defending tenants in eviction lawsuits, helping tenants assert their legal rights, and educating tenants and the public on housing law. A secondary focus will be on assisting individuals with maintaining financial stability to avoid eviction, which may include representation of individuals in unemployment, debt defense, consumer, and expungement matters.

Excellent written and oral advocacy skills and ability to work independently in a fast-paced environment are required.

Four years of experience litigating in Virginia’s district and circuit courts, or their equivalent, is strongly desired. Must be interested in managing and mentoring lawyers and law students with prior management experience desired. Prior experience in public interest and poverty work is desirable. Must have strong commitment to equal justice and ensuring housing stability. Graduation from an ABA accredited law school and a current Virginia State Bar license required. Minimum salary for an attorney with four years of legal experience is $66,000/year with a higher salary commensurate with experience. Excellent insurance and other benefits, including a student loan repayment assistance program. Send cover letter, résumé, and writing sample to Michelle King, michelle@cvlas.org. Interested persons are encouraged to apply immediately with the successful candidate starting work as soon as October 2021. Minorities, bilingual (English/Spanish) speakers, veterans, older adults, and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply. EEO employer.